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Practitioner's Docket No. LAR 16220-1

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ji Su et al.

Application No.: 09/696,527
 Filed: 09/23/2000
 For: MEMBRANE TENSION CONTROL

Group No.: 2834
 Examiner: Medley, Peter M

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of three months.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Applicant is other than a small entity.
4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:
 three months

Fee for other than small entity:
 \$920.00

Fee \$920.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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Extension fee due with this request \$920.00

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on September 4, 2002.

6. Fee Payment

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$920.00 to Deposit Account No. 14-0116.

A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Date: Sept. 4, 2002

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$920.00)

Complete if Known

Application Number	09/696,527
Filing Date	September 23, 2000
First Named Inventor	Ji Su, et al
Examiner Name	Peter M. Medley
Group Art Unit	2834
Attorney Docket No.	LAR-16220-1

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

 Check Credit card Money Order Other None

 Deposit Account:

14-0116

Deposit Account Number	14-0116
Deposit Account Name	NASA

The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)

 Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments

 Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application

 Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	
100 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 180	214 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)			

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
			-20**	=	
			- 3**	=	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20	
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)			

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
126 1,960	226 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 260	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 480	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 740	279 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____			
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid			
SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)			
920.00			

SUBMITTED BY		Complete if applicable
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